

**OPINION 1995 (Case 3004)****LORISIDAE Gray, 1821, GALAGIDAE Gray, 1825 and INDRIIDAE Burnett, 1828 (Mammalia, Primates): conserved as the correct original spellings**

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**Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that for the purposes of Article 29 the stems of the following generic names are as shown:
  - (a) *Loris* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796: the stem is LORIS-;
  - (b) *Galago* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796: the stem is GALAG-.
- (2) It is hereby ruled that the correct original spelling of the family-group name based on *Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796 is INDRIIDAE Burnett, 1828.
- (3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *Galago* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796 (gender: masculine), type species by monotypy *Galago senegalensis* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796;
  - (b) *Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796 (gender: masculine), type species by absolute tautonymy *Lemur indri* Gmelin, 1788.
- (4) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology:
  - (a) *senegalensis* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796, as published in the binomen *Galago senegalensis* (specific name of the type species of *Galago* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796);
  - (b) *indri* Gmelin, 1788, as published in the binomen *Lemur indri* (specific name of the type species of *Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796).
- (5) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology:
  - (a) LORISIDAE Gray, 1821 (type genus *Loris* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796);
  - (b) GALAGIDAE Gray, 1825 (type genus *Galago* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796);
  - (c) INDRIIDAE Burnett, 1828 (type genus *Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796), ruled in (2) above to be the correct original spelling.
- (6) The following names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology:
  - (a) LORIDAE Gray, 1821 (spelling emended to LORISIDAE by the ruling in (1)(a) above);
  - (b) GALAGONIDAE Gray, 1825 (spelling emended to GALAGIDAE by the ruling in (1)(b) above);
  - (c) INDRIDAE Burnett, 1828 (ruled in (2) above to be an incorrect original spelling).

### History of Case 3004

An application for the conservation of the spellings of the primate family-group names LORISIDAE Gray, 1821 and GALAGIDAE Gray, 1825 was received from Drs Jeffrey H. Schwartz (*University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.*), Jeheskel Shoshani (*Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.*), Ian Tattersall (*American Museum of Natural History, New York, U.S.A.*), Elwyn L. Simons (*Duke University Primate Center, Durham, North Carolina, U.S.A.*) and Gregg F. Gunnell (*University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A.*) on 13 November 1995. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 55: 165–168 (September 1998). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

A comment in support of these proposals was published in BZN 56: 73 (March 1999). An opposing comment was published in BZN 57: 51 (March 2000). A reply by the authors of the application, together with Prof Friderun Ankel-Simons, was published in BZN 57: 121–123 (June 2000).

In relation to para. 4 of the application, the conservation of *Loris* was subsequently approved by the Commission; the name and that of the type species, *Lemur tardigradus* Linnaeus, 1758, were placed on Official Lists in Opinion 1922 (March 1999).

A further proposal to conserve the spelling of INDRIIDAE Burnett, 1828 as the correct spelling for the family-group name based on *Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796 was put forward by Drs Kenneth Mowbray (*American Museum of Natural History, New York, U.S.A.*), Ian Tattersall and Jeffrey H. Schwartz and published in BZN 57: 228–231.

A comment in support of the conservation of all three family-group names LORISIDAE, GALAGIDAE and INDRIIDAE was published in BZN 58: 61–62 (March 2001).

### Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 2001 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 55: 166–167 and 57: 229–230. The proposals to conserve the family-group names LORISIDAE, GALAGIDAE AND INDRIIDAE were offered for voting in three parts (Votes 1, 2 and 3). In Vote (1) Commissioners were asked to vote on the proposals set out in BZN 55: 166–167, (1)(a), (4)(a) and (5)(a). In Vote (2) Commissioners were asked to vote on the proposals set out in BZN 55: 166–167, (1)(b), (2), (3), (4)(b) and (5)(b). In Vote (3) Commissioners were asked to vote on the proposals set out in BZN 57: 229–230. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 2001 the votes were as follows:

Votes 1 and 2. Affirmative votes — 23: Alonso-Zarazaga, Bock, Böhme, Bouchet, Brothers, Calder, Cogger, Eschmeyer, Evenhuis, Fortey, Halliday, Lamas, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Ng, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol

Negative votes — 2: Kraus and Minelli.

Vote 3. Affirmative votes — 24: Alonso-Zarazaga, Bock, Böhme, Bouchet, Brothers, Calder, Cogger, Eschmeyer, Evenhuis, Fortey, Halliday, Kraus, Lamas, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Ng, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol

Negative votes — 1: Minelli.

No votes were received from Dupuis, Kerzhner and Song.

## Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

GALAGIDAE Gray, 1825, *Annals of Philosophy*, (N.S.)**10**: 338 (incorrectly spelled as GALAGONIDAE).

*Galago* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796, *Magasin Encyclopédique, ou journal des sciences, des lettres et des arts*, (2)**1**(1): 49.

GALAGONIDAE Gray, 1825, *Annals of Philosophy*, (N.S.)**10**: 338 (an incorrect original spelling of GALAGIDAE).

*Indri* E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796, *Magasin Encyclopédique, ou journal des sciences, des lettres et des arts*, (2)**1**(1): 46.

*indri*, *Lemur*, Gmelin, 1788, *Caroli a Linné Systema Naturae*, Ed. 13, vol. 1, p. 42.

INDRIDAE Burnett, 1828, *Quarterly Journal of Science, Literature, and Art*, (N.S.)**4**: 307 (incorrectly spelled as INDRIIDAE).

INDRIIDAE Burnett, 1828, *Quarterly Journal of Science, Literature, and Art*, (N.S.)**4**: 307 (an incorrect original spelling of INDRIDAE).

LORIDAE Gray, 1821, *London Medical Repository*, **15**(1): 298 (an incorrect original spelling of LORISIDAE).

LORISIDAE Gray, 1821, *London Medical Repository*, **15**(1): 298 (incorrectly spelled as LORIDAE).  
*senegalensis*, *Galago*, E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1796, *Magasin Encyclopédique, ou journal des sciences, des lettres et des arts*, (2)**1**(1): 49.